



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW
COMMITTEE REPORT**

**MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**

The Development Review Committee of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a Regular Teleconference Meeting on September 28, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and was conducted via Zoom. All committee members and staff participated from remote locations and all voting was conducted via roll call vote. In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20, the public could only view the meeting online and not in the Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jennifer Armer, CDD Planning; Robert Gray, CDD Building; Mike Weisz, PPW Engineering; Kenny Ip, SCCFD.

Absent: None.

Staff: Robert Shultz, Town Attorney.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

- None.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – August 31, 2021.

MOTION: **Motion by Mike Weisz to approve the consent calendar. Seconded by Kenny Ip.**

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously 4-0.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. 221 Highland Terrace

Architecture and Site Application S-20-031

Requesting approval for demolition of an existing single-family residence, removal of large protected trees, and construction of a new single-family residence on property zoned HR-2 1/2. APN 529-36-027.

PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Brandye Sweetnam

PROJECT PLANNER: Jennifer Armer

The project planner, Jennifer Armer, presented the staff report.

Opened Public Comment.

Eugene Sakai, Architect

They are familiar with doing projects in Los Gatos. The project is a modest house on a large site. It is designed to avoid impact to the neighbors.

Brandye Sweetnam, Owner

They love the location and vistas and intend to live there a long time. They will improve the fire safety, update the septic system, and consider the contours of the landscape. The four oak trees to be removed are in poor condition according to the arborist. This is out of 150 trees total. The tree canopy will be preserved.

Nancy Stump, Neighbor

She is in support of the project. The owners have been very transparent. It is a win-win situation for the community.

Paul Pastrone, Neighbor

He likes the design. His only concern is the septic system that crosses a riparian area. Is there the possibility of rupture during an earthquake? What is the location of the trees that need to be removed? He will speak offline with the owners/applicants.

Eugene Sakai, Architect

The owners have contacted far reaching neighbors. The feedback has been positive.

Closed Public Comment.

MOTION: **Motion by Mike Weisz** to approve with the required findings and recommended conditions of approval. **Seconded by Robert Gray.**

VOTE: **Motion passed unanimously 4-0.**

Appeal rights were recited.

OTHER BUSINESS

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned 10:15 AM

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting as approved by the Development Review Committee.

Prepared by:

/s/Jennifer Armer, Interim Planning Manager